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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application Of:

Group Art Unit: 1614

Barbara Roniker, et al.

Examiner: D. Jagoe

Serial No.: 09/402,634

Filed: March 27, 2000

For: METHOD OF USING CYCLOOXYGENASE-2

INHIBITORS IN THE PREVENTION OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISORDERS

Attorney Docket No. 51765.00002

## <u>AMENDMENT B</u>

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 8, 2001, please enter the following amendments and reconsider this application in view of the following remarks.

The Office Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response. Applicants believe that the present response is timely filed. In the event that any fee is due to enter Amendment B, or to consider it timely filed, applicants' undersigned representative authorizes the charging of Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for any extension fee, any additional claim fee, or any other fee that might be due upon entry and full consideration of this amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claims 1-12 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue them in a further continuation application.

Please also delete claims 14, 25 and 33 and amend claims 13, 15, 24, 26, 32 and 34 as follows: